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Dear Ms. Callaghan:

On behalf of the Genesee County Health Department and SMART (Smoke-Free Multi-Agency Resource Team) I support and am pleased to participate with the ASSIST grant in cooperation with the Michigan Department of Public Health and the National Cancer Institute.

Working with the high risk population as we do, the health department sees a high incidence of smoking and smoking related disease. There is a need for creating more smoke-free environments and smoking cessation programming, as well as an awareness of the risks of tobacco use.

With a program such as ASSIST, I am hopeful Michigan will reach its 15% tobacco reduction goal fulfilling one of the objectives for the year 2000.

Sincerely,

Robert M. Pestronk
Health Officer

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